



WFSA unites anaesthesiologists around the world to improve patient care and access to safe anaesthesia and perioperative medicine

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Dear Member Society

Re: A Global Anaesthesia Training Framework

We would like to let you know that the WFSA is about to publish an opinion piece in Anesthesia & Analgesia entitled "A Global Anaesthesia Training Framework". We wish to emphasize that this article is not a formal WFSA position statement. It is intended as a starting point for a discussion on how we can all work together to develop the global anaesthesia workforce. The article outlines a suggested process for development of the framework and a formal position statement will only be possible after approval by member societies of the WFSA.

In many parts of the world, there are massive deficiencies in the anaesthesia workforce. In the article, we suggest a competency-based training framework, led by anaesthesiologists, with the aim of improving access to safe anaesthesia care in regions with deficiencies. Different workforce models will be required in different countries, and anaesthesiologists should of course work with their governments and other stakeholders to determine the best model for their own countries.

The opinion piece will be open access. We encourage you to read the article when published and provide your valuable feedback.

Yours sincerely,

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